LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Conservation Auditorium, 1st Floor, State Land & Natural Resources Building, 625 North 4th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY**, **JANUARY 8**, **2002**, upon the application of **AMERADA HESS CORPORATION**.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **6-B Lower Sand, Reservoir C, the 7 Sand, Reservoir E and the 8-A Sand, Reservoir G,** in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

- To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the
 exploration for and production of oil and gas from each of the following reservoirs: the 6-B
 Lower Sand, Reservoir C, the 7 Sand, Reservoir E and the 8-A Sand, Reservoir G. The
 proposed units designated 6-B LRC SUA, 7 RE SUA and 8-A RG SUA, are shown on
 the plats submitted with the application.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed units with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To designate Chevron USA, Inc. as operator of each of the proposed units.
- 4. To designate the following wells as unit wells for their respective units: the Chevron USA, Inc. -State Lease 451 No. 7 Well (SN 225035) for the proposed 6-B L RC SUA; the Chevron USA, Inc. - Buras Levee District "E" No. 180 Well (SN 224519) for the proposed 7 RE SUA; and the Chevron USA, Inc. - Buras Levee District "E" No. 181 Well (SN 224576) for the proposed 8-A RB SUA.
- 5. To provide that any wells drilled to the aforementioned reservoir should be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify each of the sands and reservoirs by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of each reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
- 7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 6-B Lower Sand, Reservoir C, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8,521' and 8,631' (ELM) (true vertical depths - 7,783' and 7,871') in the Chevron USA Inc. (formerly LLOG Exploration Company) - State Lease 451 No. 7 Well, located in Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 30 East.

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The 7 Sand, Reservoir E, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 9,026' and 9,179' (ELM) (true vertical depths - 8,186' and 8,306') in the Chevron USA Inc. (formerly LLOG Exploration Company) - Buras Levee District "E" No. 180 Well, located in Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 30 East.

The 8-A Lower Sand, Reservoir G, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 10,311' and 10,357' (ELM) (true vertical depths - 8,750' and 8,779') in the Chevron USA Inc. (formerly LLOG Exploration Company) - Buras Levee District "E" No. 181 Well, located in Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 30 East.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

PHILIP N. ASPRODITES COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 11/29/01;12/4/01 L dpe

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT <u>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES</u>, <u>PERSONNEL SECTION</u> AT P.O. BOX 94396, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9396 IN WRITING OR BY TELEPHONE (225) 342-2134 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. AND 4:30 P.M., MONDAY THRU FRIDAY WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.